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In re application of:

Serial No.: 09/558,562

Filed: April 26, 2000

Masahiro Ohishi and Mitsuru Kanokogi

Examiner: Thomas, Courtney D

Art Unit: 2882

For: DISTANCE MEASURING SYSTEM

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

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LETTER

The above-identified applicant enclose for filing a Request for filing a Continuing patent application entitled "DISTANCE MEASURING SYSTEM". Said attached Request for filing a Continuing patent application includes (1) Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) Request (2-Pages); (2) Petition for Extension of Time (1-Page); and (3) Fee Transmittal Form, together with a check in the amount of \$850.00 in payment of the filing fee and extension fee for one month.

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES	141 1,280 241 640 Petition to revive - unintentional			
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104 280 204 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid 109 84 209 42 ** Reissue independent claims	149 740 249 370 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))			
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Address to: **Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box CPA** Washington, DC 20231 guest for a (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number _____09_/_558,562 DISTANCE MEASURING SYSTEM filed on April 26, 2000, entitled **NOTES** FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg.14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000). C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b). **EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION:** The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned. ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket. 35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a). WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. X Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on July 24, 2002 under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application. A preliminary amendment is enclosed. 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR a. DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application: b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto. 4. A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.

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	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b) or (i))	1 -3** =	0	x \$ 84.00 =	0
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BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16)					740.00
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